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## SENATE COMMITTEE ON REFORMS AND RESTRUCTURING

### Minutes for March 16, 2010

A meeting of the Senate Committee on Reforms and Restructuring was held on Tuesday, March 16, 2010, in Room 402/403 of the Capitol Building. Senator Bishop called the meeting to order at 2:40 p.m.

Attendance was recorded as follows:

Present: Senators Bishop, Gilbert, Kuipers, Prusi, Hunter, and Cherry

Excused: Senator George

Absent: None

The Agenda Summary is as follows:

SB 1046 – Testimony Only

SB 1047 – Testimony Only

SJR-P – Testimony Only

SB 1074 – Testimony Only

SB 1229 – Testimony Only

The Chair began by taking roll and asking members to approve the committee minutes from March 9, 2010. A motion was offered by Senator Gilbert, support given by Senator Prusi, and the members approved the committee minutes by a vote of 6 to 0 as follows:

#### Approval of the minutes from the 3-2-10 meeting:

Yeas: Senators Bishop, Gilbert, Prusi, Hunter, and Cherry

Nays: None

The Chair then turned the members' attention to the bills on the day's agenda, Senate Bills 1046, 1047, Senate Joint Resolution P, SB 1074 and SB 1229.

James Hohman representing the Mackinac Center for Public Policy testified on the legislation and provided information to the committee.

Discussion and questions followed.

Jasen Witt representing Troy School District testified in support of SB 1074.

Discussion and questions followed.

Michael Sharrow, Superintendent for Algonac, testified in support of SB 1074.

Discussion and questions followed.

Cindy Vujea representing Delton Kellogg Schools testified on SB 1046 & SB 1074.

Discussion and questions followed.

Senator Jelinek introduced and explained SB 1229

Discussion and questions followed.

Mike Johnston representing MMA testified in support of SB 1046, SB 1047, and SJR-P.

Bill Anderson representing the Michigan Township Association testified in opposition to SB 1046, but supports SB 1047.

The Chair then read the card of those not wishing to testify:

- Matt Mego representing Michigan Farm Bureau in support of SB 1046, SB 1047 and SB 1074.
- Joyce Phelps representing MEA is opposed to SB 1074.

Being no further testimony, the meeting was adjourned at 4:10 p.m.